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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Mescke, Frank Confirmation No. 7511
Serial No. 10/522,533 Examiner: Burkhart, E.
Filing Date: January 27, 2005 Art Unit: 1792
Title: **MATERIAL COMPRISING A SURFACE CONSISTING OF A METAL CARBIDE-CARBON COMPOSITE AND A METHOD FOR PRODUCING SAME**

RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

This is in response to the non-final Office Action dated March 27, 2008, which had a shortened statutory period for reply expiring on June 27, 2008. Accordingly, a petition requesting a three-month extension of time is attached hereto, thereby extending the period for reply until September 27, 2008. Accordingly, this response and amendment are timely filed.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 3 of this paper.

A Conclusion appears at page 8 of this paper.

Please amend the application as follows: